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As an Electronic Technician having worked with Microsoft and competing products for over 10 years. And having read the proposed settlement between Microsoft and the DoJ. I formally submit my disapproval of said settlement based on the following information.

- 1) The proposed settlement is very similar in word and substance to an agreement made by Microsoft and the DoJ in 1995. Had that agreement been successful there should not have been a need for new remedies.
- 2) the settlement does not require the full disclosure of the API's needed for 3rd party software companies to create products that can compete on an even footing with microsoft products.
- 3) the settlement does not require the document formats used to be opened. If there is to truly be competition on the desktop there must be a common language.

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